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## **Falls Church City Council Inaugurates Council Members, Mayor, and Vice Mayor**

FALLS CHURCH, VA – On Thursday, July 1, 2004, the Falls Church City Council inaugurated Mrs. M.R. Lindy Hockenberry to her second term, Mrs. Robin Gardner to her second term, and Mr. David Chavern to his first term. The three terms end on June 30, 2008. The Council also reelected Mr. Daniel Gardner as Mayor and Mrs. Martha Meserve as Vice Mayor.

The inauguration of Mr. Chavern also marked the departure of Mr. Ron Parson whose four-year term on the Council ended June 30, 2004. An active member of the Falls Church community, Mr. Chavern has lived in the City since 1995 with his wife and two children and previously served on the City's Business Development Commission and the Gifted & Talented Advisory Committee.

Reelected to his third term as Mayor for the City, Mr. Dan Gardner will serve in this capacity July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2006, when his current term on the Council ends. Mr. Gardner was elected to the Falls Church City Council on July 1, 1998, elected Mayor on July 1, 2000, and reelected Mayor for a second term on July 1, 2002. Mayor Gardner also serves on the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments.

Mrs. Martha Meserve begins her second term as Vice Mayor for the City. She was first appointed to the City Council in 2001 to serve the remaining year of former Council Member Kathie Winckler's term. On July 1, 2002, Ms. Meserve was reelected to the City Council and appointed Vice-Mayor. Her current term on the Council ends June 30, 2006. She has served on many committees and played an active role in the development and review of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

The seven Council Members are elected at-large for four-year terms, with alternating elections in May of even-numbered years for three or four members. The Council members elect the Mayor and Vice Mayor for two-year terms. City of Falls Church Council Members include Mayor Daniel Gardner, Vice Mayor Martha Meserve, Mr. David Chavern, Mrs. M.R. Lindy Hockenberry, Mrs. Robin Gardner, Mr. Samuel Mabry, and Mr. David Snyder.

For more information about the Council, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at 703-248-5014 or via email at [publicinfo@ci.falls-church.va.us](mailto:publicinfo@ci.falls-church.va.us).

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